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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
11 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
12 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

13 MOHD ALSALTE aka MOHAMMED ALSALTE, }
14 Plaintiff, }
15 v. }
16 ROBERT MUELLER, III, Director, }
Federal Bureau of Investigation; }
17 MICHAEL CHERTOFF, Secretary, }
Department of Homeland Security; }
EMILIO GONZALES, Director, USCIS; }
18 DAVID STILL, District Director, U.S. }
Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS); }
19 TERRY RICE, San Francisco Field Office }
Director, USCIS, }
20 Defendants. }
21)
No. C 07-0911 JCS
**PARTIES' JOINT REQUEST TO BE
EXEMPT FROM FORMAL ADR
PROCESS AND ORDER**

22 Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she has read either the handbook entitled "Dispute
23 Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California," or the specified portions of the ADR
24 Unit's Internet site <www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov>, discussed the available dispute resolution
25 options provided by the court and private entities, and considered whether this case might benefit
26 from any of them. Here, the parties agree that referral to a formal ADR process will not be
27 beneficial because this action is limited to plaintiff's request that this Court compel defendants to
28 adjudicate the application for naturalization. Defendants have already requested the FBI expedite

1 the name check so that the application may be processed as soon as possible. Given the substance
2 of the action and the lack of any potential middle ground, ADR will only serve to multiply the
3 proceedings and unnecessarily tax court resources. Accordingly, pursuant to ADR L.R. 3-3(c), the
4 parties request the case be removed from the ADR Multi-Option Program and that they be excused
5 from participating in the ADR phone conference and any further formal ADR process.

6 Dated: May M, 2007

7 Respectfully submitted,

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16 Attorneys for Plaintiff

17 ORDER

18 Pursuant to stipulation and to ADR L. R. 3-3(c), the parties are hereby removed from the ADR
19 Multi-Option Program and are excused from participating in the ADR phone conference and any
20 further formal ADR process.

21 **SO ORDERED.**

22 Dated:

23 JOSEPH C. SPERO
24 United States Magistrate Judge

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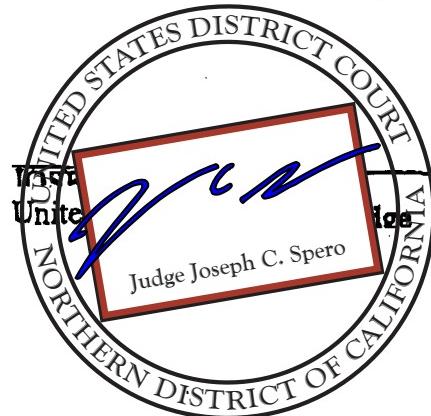
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